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Council President Tony Young

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Harvey Milk Street Naming Project Set for May 8 Council Agenda

SAN DIEGO, Calif. -- San Diego City Council President Tony Young announced today that the proposal to rename Blaine Avenue in Hillcrest after late gay rights activist Harvey Milk will be on the May 8 council agenda.

"Harvey Milk is an important figure in the ongoing struggle for full equality for all Americans," said Council President Young. "I'm pleased to put Harvey Milk Street on the docket and hope my council colleagues will join me in considering this landmark effort."

If the Council approves the Harvey Milk Street name change, San Diego will become the first city in the United States to honor the late civil rights leader in this manner. Fittingly, the late Milk first came to California during his service as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy and was stationed here in San Diego.

California recognizes his May 22 birthday as an official state holiday. This year it will be celebrated on May 25.

"Councilmember Todd Gloria has worked hard with his constituents and grassroots community leaders to have Harvey Milk Street approved before his birthday," said Council President Young. "Taking action at the upcoming City Council meeting is critical to achieving that goal."

The City Council will hear the Harvey Milk Street item on Tuesday, May 8 in Council Chambers on the 12th floor of the City Administration Building, 202 C Street, downtown San Diego. Agenda docket and live streaming of the meeting can be viewed on the City of San Diego website at: sandiego.gov.

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